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Pursuant to Section X, Paragraphs 66-73 of Consent Decree, Civil Action No. 4:17-cv-3302, ExxonMobil Oil Corporation (ExxonMobil) submits this Semi-Annual Report covering the period of June 6, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

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Per Consent Decree Paragraph 71:

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SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT
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UNITED STATES, ET AL V. EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION
AND EXXONMOBIL OIL CORPORATION,
CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:17-cv-3302 (S.D. TX)

June 6, 2018 - December 31, 2018

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SECTION 1 STATUS OF CONSENT DECREE SECTION V COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

This progress report provides the status of implementation of Consent Decree requirements that, during the reporting period, require the ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant to undertake a specific action or make a submittal to an agency; or otherwise require the ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant to take specific steps to implement new obligations, including new control or emissions requirements, new monitoring requirements, or institution of new procedures. Once the ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant has reported a requirement as implemented, it will not appear in subsequent progress reports under this subparagraph.

Consent Decree Paragraph 66a. – b.

a. A description of the status of work performed and progress made toward implementing all requirements of Consent Decree Section V (Compliance Requirements) at the Covered Facilities. This topic should describe any major milestones completed and remaining to be completed;

ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant has completed the following work required to meet the requirements of Consent Decree Section V Compliance Requirements. Major milestones completed for this reporting period are in Table 1.1.

TABLE 1.1 Major Milestones Completed For This Reporting Period

| Covered Flare | Description of Work Completed During This Reporting Period |
|---------------|---|
| None | None |

ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant is in the process of completing the following work as required to meet the requirements of Consent Decree Section V Compliance Requirements.

TABLE 1.2 Status of Remaining Work to be Completed

| Covered Flare | Remaining Work To Be Completed | Anticipated Completion Date |
|---------------|---|-----------------------------|
| HP and LP | Submit Flare Data and Monitoring Systems and Protocol Report | No later than 6/6/2019 |
| HP and LP | Submit Initial Waste Gas Minimization Plan | No later than 6/6/2019 |
| HP and LP | Conduct internal reporting and recordkeeping for Reportable Flaring Incidents | No later than 6/6/2019 |

b. A description of any problems encountered or anticipated in meeting the requirements in Consent Decree Section V (Compliance Requirements) at the Covered Facilities, together with implemented or proposed solutions;

ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant has not encountered nor anticipates problems in meeting the requirements of Consent Decree Section V Compliance Requirements as shown in Table 1.3.

TABLE 1.3 Encountered or Anticipated Problems In Work To be Completed

| Covered Flare | Encountered or Anticipated Problem(s) | Proposed or Implemented Solution(s) |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | None | None |

SECTION 2 STATUS OF CONSENT DECREE SECTION V REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Below is a summary of the status of reports as required under Consent Decree Section V.

Flare Data and Monitoring Systems and Protocol Report

Requirement: CD Paragraph 18

Description: For each Covered Flare, by no later than 365 Days after the Effective Date, the Defendants must submit a report, consistent with the requirements in Appendix 1.5, to EPA that includes the following:

- a. The information, diagrams, and drawings specified in Paragraphs 1–7 of Appendix 1.5;
- b. A detailed description of each instrument and piece of monitoring equipment, including the specific model and manufacturer, that the Defendants have installed or will install in compliance with Paragraphs 20–24 of this Consent Decree (Paragraphs 8–9 of Appendix 1.5); and
- c. A narrative description of the monitoring methods and calculations that the Defendants will use to comply with the requirements of Paragraph 43 (Paragraph 10 of Appendix 1.5).

Status: This section does not apply to this semi-annual reporting period. The Flare Data and Monitoring Systems and Protocol Report is due no later than June 6, 2019.

Initial Waste Gas Minimization Plan ("Initial WGMP")

Requirement: CD Paragraph 29

Description: By no later than 365 Days after the Effective Date, for each Covered Flare, the Defendants must submit to EPA an Initial Waste Gas Minimization Plan that discusses and evaluates flaring Prevention Measures on both a facility-wide and Covered Flare-specific basis for each Covered Facility.

Status: This section does not apply to this semi-annual reporting period. The Initial Waste Gas Minimization Plan is due no later than June 6, 2019.

First Updated Waste Gas Minimization Plan ("First Updated WGMP")

Requirement: CD Paragraph 29

Description: By no later than 730 Days after the Effective Date, the Defendants must submit to EPA a First Updated WGMP that updates, if and as necessary, the information, diagrams, and drawings required in the Flare Data and Monitoring Systems and Protocol Report required by Paragraph 18 and the information required in sub-Paragraphs 29.a–29.e for the 12-month period after the period covered by the Initial Waste Gas Minimization Plan.

Status: This section does not apply to this semi-annual reporting period. The first Updated Waste Gas Minimization Plan is due no later than June 5, 2020.

SECTION 3 STATUS OF PERMITTING ACTIVITY

Consent Decree Paragraph 66c.

c. A description of the status of any permit applications, including a summary of all permitting activity, pertaining to compliance with this Consent Decree;

The ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant is preparing to submit permit applications to TCEQ's Air Permit Division for NSR Permit Numbers 6860 and 8758. The applications will request to incorporate the requirements listed in the Consent Decree Paragraph 60.c into NSR Permit Numbers 6860 and 8758 such that the requirements (i) become and remain "applicable requirements" as that term is defined in 40 C.F.R §70.2 and (ii) survive the termination of the Consent Decree. In accordance with Consent Decree Paragraph 60.b, the permit application will be submitted no later than one year after the Effective Date or one year after the respective deadline for the Compliance Requirements listed in Paragraph 60.c.

The ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant is also preparing to submit a permit application to TCEQ's Air Permit Division for Title V Permits 1243 and 2243. The application will request to incorporate the requirements listed in the Consent Decree Paragraph 60.c into Title V Permits 1243 and 2243. In accordance with Consent Decree Paragraph 60.b., the permit application will be submitted no later than three years after the Effective Date or one year after the respective deadline for the Compliance Requirements listed in Paragraph 60.c.

SECTION 4 REPORTS SUBMITTED TO LDEQ

Consent Decree Paragraph 66d.

d. A copy of any reports that were submitted only to LDEQ and that pertain to compliance with this Consent Decree.

Status: Does not apply because ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant is located in the State of Texas and thus does not submit reports to LDEQ.

SECTION 5 STATUS OF SEP(S)

Consent Decree Paragraph 66e.

e. A description of the Defendants' progress in satisfying its obligations in connection with the SEP(s) under Section VI including, at a minimum, a narrative description of activities undertaken; status of any construction or compliance measures, including the completion of any milestones set forth in the SEP Work Plan (attached as Appendix 2.1), and a summary of costs incurred since the previous report;

Refer to Semi-Annual Report submitted by ExxonMobil Baytown Chemical Plant for status of Federal Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP).

Refer to Semi-Annual Report submitted by the ExxonMobil Baton Rouge Chemical Plant for status of Louisiana Beneficial Environmental Projects (BEPs).

SECTION 6 UPDATED WASTE GAS MINIMIZATION PLAN (WGMP)

Consent Decree Paragraph 66f

f. Any updated WGMP for the Covered Facilities that is required to be submitted by Paragraph 31.

Subsequent Updates to WGMPs ("Subsequently Updated WGMP")

Requirement: CD Paragraph 31

On an annual basis after submitting the First Updated WGMP until termination of the Decree, the Defendants must submit an updated WGMP for a Covered Facility as part of the Semi-Annual Report required by Section IX (Reporting Requirements) if, at that Covered Facility, the Defendants: a) commence operation of a Newly Installed Covered Flare or permanently remove a Covered Flare from service, b) connect a new Waste Gas stream to a Covered Flare, c) intentionally modify the Baseload Waste Gas Flow Rate to a Covered Flare, d) install additional FGRS, or e) change the design of a Covered Flare. Each update must update, if and as necessary, the information required in sub-Paragraphs 29.a.i - 29.a.iii. Each update must update, if and as necessary, the information required in sub-Paragraphs 30.a and 30.b. To the extent the Defendants propose to extend any schedule set forth in a previous WGMP for any of the Covered Facilities, the Defendants may do so only with good cause, the determination of which is subject to Section XII (Dispute Resolution).

This section does not apply to this semi-annual reporting period. The Initial Waste Gas Minimization Plan is due no later than June 6, 2019 and the first Updated Waste Gas Minimization Plan is due no later than June 5, 2020.

SECTION 7 SUMMARY OF INTERNAL FLARING INCIDENT REPORTS

Consent Decree Paragraph 66g.

g. Any summary of internal flaring incident reports as required by Paragraph 34.

This section does not apply to this semi-annual reporting period. In accordance with Paragraph 34.a. of the Consent Decree, ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant will begin internal Reportable Flaring Incident (RFI) reporting and recordkeeping no later than June 6, 2019.

SECTION 8 REPORTING SUMMARY

Consent Decree Paragraph 66h.

- h. A summary of the following, per Covered Flare per Calendar Quarter (hours shall be rounded to the nearest tenth):
 - (1) The total number of hours of Instrument Downtime claimed pursuant to Paragraph 45, expressed as both an absolute number and a percentage of time the Covered Flare that the instrument/equipment monitors is In Operation and Capable of Receiving Sweep, Supplemental, and/or Waste Gas;

TABLE 8.1 June 6 – June 30, 2018 Instrument Downtime Summary

| Covered Flare | Monitoring System | System Downtime (%) | System Downtime (hours) |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| HP | Flare Vent Gas Flow Meter | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| HP | Net Heating Value | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| HP | Assist Air Flow | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| HP | Flare Camera | 2.0 | 10.4 |
| LP | Vent Gas Flow Meter | 0.8 | 5.0 |
| LP | Net Heating Value | 0.6 | 3.5 |
| LP | Assist Air Flow | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| LP | Flare Camera | 0.0 | 0.0 |

TABLE 8.2 3rd Quarter 2018 Instrument Downtime Summary

| Covered Flare | Monitoring System | System Downtime (%) | System Downtime (hours) |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| HP | Flare Vent Gas Flow Meter | 0.2 | 3.3 |
| HP | Net Heating Value | 0.1 | 2.0 |
| HP | Assist Air Flow | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| HP | Flare Camera | 0.2 | 4.8 |
| LP | Vent Gas Flow Meter | 0.4 | 8.8 |
| LP | Net Heating Value | 0.7 | 14.8 |
| LP | Assist Air Flow | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| LP | Flare Camera | 0.0 | 0.0 |

TABLE 8.3 4th Quarter 2018 Instrument Downtime Summary

| Covered Flare | Monitoring System | System Downtime (%) | System Downtime (hours) |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| HP | Flare Vent Gas Flow Meter | 0.1 | 1.8 |
| HP | Net Heating Value | 0.1 | 2.3 |
| HP | Assist Air Flow | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| HP | Flare Camera | 0.1 | 1.6 |
| LP | Vent Gas Flow Meter | 0.5 | . 10.8 |
| LP | Net Heating Value | 1.8 | 39 |
| LP | Assist Air Flow | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| LP | Flare Camera | 0.0 | 0.0 |

(2) If the total number of hours of Instrument Downtime claimed pursuant to Paragraph 45 exceeds 5% of the time in a Calendar Quarter the Covered Flare affected by the downtime is In Operation, an identification of the periods of downtime by date, time, cause (including Malfunction or maintenance), and, if the cause is asserted to be a Malfunction, the corrective action taken;

Status: No Covered Flare incurred Instrument Downtime claimed pursuant to Paragraph 45 that exceeded 5% of the time the flare was In Operation in any Calendar Quarter, as noted by "None" in Tables 8.4-8.6.

TABLE 8.4 June 6 – June 30, 2018 Instrument Downtime Identification (if total hours exceeds 5%)

| Covered Flare | Monitoring System | Start Date/Time | End Date/Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------------------|
| None | None | None | None | None | None |

TABLE 8.5 3rd Quarter 2018 Instrument Downtime Identification (if total hours exceeds 5%)

| Covered Flare | Monitoring System | Start Date/Time | End Date/Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------------------|
| None | None | None | None | None | None |

TABLE 8.6 4th Quarter 2018 Instrument Downtime Identification (if total hours exceeds 5%)

| Covered Flare | Monitoring System | Start Date/Time | End Date/Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------------------|
| None | None | None | None | None | None |

The total number of hours, expressed as both an absolute number of hours and a percentage of time that the Covered Flare was In Operation, in which the requirements of Paragraphs 43-44 were not applicable because the only gas or gases being vented were Pilot Gas or Purge Gas;

TABLE 8.7 June 6 – June 30, 2018 Requirements of Paragraphs 43-44 Were Not Applicable Because Only Pilot or Purge Gas Flow

| Covered Flare | Time (%) | Time (Hours) |
|---------------|----------|--------------|
| None | None | None |

TABLE 8.8 3rd Quarter 2018 Requirements of Paragraphs 43-44 Were Not Applicable Because Only Pilot or Purge Gas Flow

| Covered Flare | Time (%) | Time (Hours) |
|---------------|----------|--------------|
| None | None | None |

TABLE 8.9 4th Quarter 2018 Requirements of Paragraphs 43-44 Were Not Applicable Because Only Pilot or Purge Gas Flow

| Covered Flare | Time (%) | Time (Hours) | |
|---------------|----------|--------------|--|
| None | None | None | |

(4) <u>Exceedances of Combustion Efficiency Standards</u>.

i. The total number of hours, expressed as both an absolute number of hours and a percentage of time the Covered Flare was In Operation, of exceedances of the emissions standards in Paragraphs 43-44; provided however, that if the exceedance of these standards was less than 5% of the time in a Calendar Quarter and was due to one or more of the exceptions set forth in Paragraph 45, the report shall so note; and

Status: No exceedance of combustion efficiency standards was due to one or more of the exceptions set forth in Paragraph 45, as noted by "None" in Tables 8.10, 8.11 and 8.12.

TABLE 8.10 June 6 – June 30, 2018 Exceedance of Standard less than 5% of the Time in this Period and Was Due to Exceptions Set Forth in Paragraph 45

| Covered Flare | Time (%) | Time (Hours) | |
|---------------|----------|--------------|--|
| None | None | None | |

TABLE 8.11 3rd Quarter 2018 Exceedance of Standard less than 5% of the Time in this Period and Was Due to Exceptions Set Forth in Paragraph 45

| Covered Flare | Time (%) | Time (Hours) | |
|---------------|----------|--------------|--|
| None | None | None | |

TABLE 8.12 4th Quarter 2018 Exceedance of Standard less than 5% of the Time in this Period and Was Due to Exceptions Set Forth in Paragraph 45

| Covered Flare | Time (%) | Time (Hours) | |
|---------------|----------|--------------|--|
| None | None | None | |

ii. If the exceedance of the emissions standards in Paragraphs 43-44 was not due to one of the exceptions in Paragraph 45 (Instrument Downtime), or

if the exceedance was due to one or more of the exceptions in Paragraph 45 and the total number of hours caused by the exceptions exceeds 5% of the time in a Calendar Quarter that the Covered Flare affected by the Instrument Downtime was In Operation, an identification of each block period that exceeded the standard, by time and date; the cause of the exceedance (including startup, shutdown, maintenance, or Malfunction), and if the cause is asserted to be a Malfunction, an explanation and any corrective actions taken; and

Status: Exceedances of combustion efficiency standards during June 6 – June 30 and the 3^{rd} Quarter of 2018 are listed in Tables 8.13 and 8.14. There were no exceedances of combustion efficiency standards during the 4^{th} Quarter 2018, as noted by "None" in Table 8.15.

TABLE 8.13 June 6 – June 30, 2018 Exceedance of Combustion Efficiency Standards

| Covered Flare | Combustion Efficiency Standard | Start Date/ Time | End Date/ Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| HP | NHVdil | 6/6/2018 | 6/30/2018 | Calculation was | Obtained correct |
| | | 00:00 1 | 23:59 | incorrect due to | record for air |
| | | | | inaccurate record of | blower capacity. |
| | | | | air blower capacity. | Updated |
| _ | | | R | This error led to | NHVdil |
| | | | | inadequate flow of | calculation to |
| | | | | natural gas to | reflect the |
| | | | | consistently raise | correct blower |
| | | | = | above NHVdil limit. | capacity. |

¹ The Effective Date of the Consent Decree (CD) is 6/6/2018. The order approving the CD was published at 13:44.

TABLE 8.14 3rd Quarter 2018 Exceedance of Combustion Efficiency Standards

| Covere d Flare | Combusti on Efficiency Standard | Start Date/ Time | End Date/ Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|-------------------|--|---|---|---|---|
| НР | NHVdil | 7/1/2018 00:00 | 7/9/2018 18:50 | Calculation was incorrect due to inaccurate record of air blower capacity. This error led to inadequate flow of natural gas to consistently raise above NHVdil limit. | Obtained correct record for air blower capacity. Updated NHVdil calculation to reflect the correct blower capacity. |
| LP | NHVvg | 8/20/2018 8:45 8/21/2018 13:45 | 8/20/2018 9:00 8/21/2018 14:00 | Natural gas flow control valve was set to manual as a response to malfunctioning LP flare flow meter. | Repaired LP flare flow meter. Returned natural gas flow control valve to automatic control setting. |

TABLE 8.15 4th Quarter 2018 Exceedance of Combustion Efficiency Standards

| Covered Flare | Combustion Efficiency Standard | Start Date/ Time | End Date/ Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|
| None | None | None | None | None | None |

(5) Compliance with Compressor Availability Requirements. Sufficient information to document compliance with the FGRS Compressor availability requirements of sub-Paragraph 38.b. For any period of non-compliance, the Defendants must identify the date, cause, and corrective action taken.

This section does not apply to the ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant.

SECTION 9 ADDITIONAL MATTERS

Consent Decree Paragraph 66i.

i. Any additional matters that the Defendants believe should be brought to the attention of EPA, or LDEQ for the Baton Rouge Facilities.

Status: None.

SECTION 10 FENCELINE AIR MONITORING

Consent Decree Paragraph 67 a. – b.

The Defendants must submit Fenceline Air Monitoring Reports as part of each Semi-Annual Report. The Fenceline Air Monitoring Reports must contain the following information:

- a. In spreadsheet format, the individual sample results for each monitor comprising each Fenceline Monitoring System, each bi-weekly annual average benzene concentration difference value (once annual averages are available), and the corresponding meteorological data for the relevant monitoring periods. The first two columns of each spreadsheet shall be the date and time for each sample taken; and
- b. A detailed description of the actions and findings of any root cause analysis and corrective action(s) undertaken pursuant to Paragraph 3(g) of Appendix 2.2, including the known results of the corrective action(s) and the anticipated emissions reductions (in TPY per pollutant).

This section does not apply to the ExxonMobil Beaumont Polyethylene Plant.

SECTION 11 ANNUAL EMISSIONS DATA

Consent Decree Paragraph 68

In the Semi Annual Report that is submitted on February 28 of each year, the Defendants must provide, for each Covered Flare, for the prior calendar year, the amount of emissions of the following compounds (in tons per year): VOCs, HAPs, NOx, CO2, methane, and ethane.

As of the date of this Semi-Annual Report, the annual emissions are reflected in Table 11.1 below.

TABLE 11.1 2018 Annual Emissions Data

| Covered Flare | Emissions, tons per year | | | | | | |
|------------------|--------------------------|------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|--------|--|
| | VOCs | HAPs | NO _x | CO ₂ | Methane | Ethane | |
| HP | 31 | 1 | 5 | 13,094 | 14 | 2 | |
| LP | 118 | 1 | 30 | 59,693 | 25 | 1 | |

SECTION 12 ANY ADDITIONAL NON-COMPLIANCE

Consent Decree Paragraph 69

Each Semi-Annual Report must also include a description of any non-compliance with the requirements of this Consent Decree not otherwise identified by Paragraph 66 along with an explanation of the violation's likely cause and of the remedial steps taken, or to be taken, to prevent or minimize such violation. If the cause of a violation cannot be fully explained at the time the report is due, the Defendants must so state in the report. In such a case, the Defendants must investigate the cause of the violation and then submit an amendment to the report, including a full explanation of the cause of the violation, within 30 Days of the Day the Defendants become aware of the cause of the violation. Nothing in this Paragraph or the following Paragraph relieves the Defendants of their obligation to provide the notice required by Section XI (Force Majeure).

TABLE 12.1 Additional Non-Compliance

| Covered Flare | Requireme nt Paragraph | Start Date/ Time | End Date/ Time | Cause | Corrective Action |
|------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|
| HP | 39 b. No Visible Emissions | 7/20/2018 19:10 | 7/20/2018 19:35 | When the NHVdil calculation was updated, the increased blower capacity decreased the blower speed output. This lowered the initial set control point for air, leading to smoking incident during transient operation. | Updated the air blower controls. |
| LP | 27. Instrument ation and Monitorin g Systems: Operation | 11/30/2018 21:05 | 12/2/2018 19:20 | Calorimeter was left in calibration mode after maintenance repair had been made. | Calorimeter was returned to normal operations mode. Created alarm to indicate when instrument is left in maintenance mode. |